

COMMERCIALIZATION AND DMS EFFORTS AT ROME LABORATORY



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BACKGROUND



- **Rome Laboratory**
 - **MIL-STD-883 Test Methods**
 - **MIL-M-38510 Qualified Parts List (QPL) for ICs**
 - **MIL-I-38535 Qualified Manufacturer's List (QML) for ICs**
 - » **Accommodates Offshore Manufacturing & PEMS**
 - **Analytical & Environmental Test Capabilities**
 - » **Scanning Acoustic Microscopy (SAM)**
 - » **Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)**
 - » **Destructive Physical Analysis**
 - » **85C/85%RH, Autoclave**
 - » **Highly Accelerated Stress Test (HAST)**
 - » **Temperature Cycle**

SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGING TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT



- **Insertion of PEMs should be accelerated in appropriate application areas**
- **PEMs could be readily used in non-critical, relatively benign applications**
- **Concerns for PEM long term storage life in extreme temperature and humidity environments need to be addressed**
- **A reliability physics approach should be adopted to determine root causes of failure**

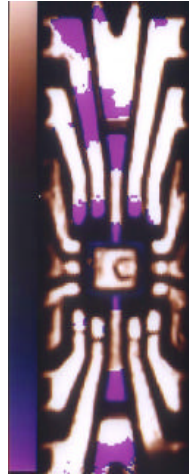
OVERCOMING BARRIERS



- **DoD must act to overcome design conservatism in the absence of appropriate performance and reliability information**
- **The following projects to collect and distribute better data are recommended:**
 - **Define the environment in which ICs will perform**
 - **Characterize commercial product performance under various environmental conditions and in actual fielded use**
 - **Coordinate IC characterization projects and dissemination of results**



COST EFFECTIVE TESTS FOR SELECTING PEMs



Attributes:

- Analog and Digital Devices
- Low Lead Count DIP & SMT Packages
- Hermetic DIP Control Packages
- Five & Six Manufacturers for Analog and Digital Respectively
- PEMs Purchased through Distribution

Problem:

- Effects of Pre-conditioning on reliability
- Appropriateness of Peck Acceleration Model
- Reliability differences: DIP vs. SMT, Analog vs. Digital, Vendor Quality

Payoff:

- Low risk decisions regarding suitability/cost effectiveness of commercial products for diverse military system applications
- Determination of value added tests for assuring PEM performance in military use conditions

ESC/JTIDS & EN-IB BEST COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRY COMPONENTS AND PRACTICES



- **Objective:**
 - Investigate differences in quality and reliability between PWAs built using commercial components and processes versus military components & processes
 - Develop recommendations and guidelines for using commercial components & processes for ESC/JTIDS, Air Force, DoD
- **Approach:**
 - Six Cell Test Matrix, Four PWAs each. Six iterations of testing
 - Test sequence/iteration: 48Hrs (85°C /85%RH) 208 hrs temp/vib (52 cycles)
 - Temperature (-54°C to 110°C) Vibration: 6.0Grms, 38 min/cycle



FAILURE SUMMARY BY COMPONENT TYPE

	Military Process Line	Commercial Process Line
Components (Mil)	Number of Failures	Number of Failures
Active	Switch: 1 PLD: 1	0
Passive	Inductors: 6 Capacitors: 2	Inductors: 6
VTF/ SAW	VTF: 6 SAW: 5	VTO: 1
Components (Mil Temp)		
Active	0	Diode: 1
Passive	Capacitor: 1	Capacitor: 1
Components (Comm.)		
Active	PLD: 1	0
Passive	0	0

MTBF CALCULATIONS ALL ACTIVE PARTS WITH MULTIPLE (2 or 3) LEVEL SUBSTITUTION



PARTS	Total Parts ¹	Total Hours ³	Total Part Hours	Failures	MTBF
MIL	160	(6 * 208)	199,680	1	199,680
MIL- T	240	(6 * 208)	299,520	1	299,520
COM	80	(6 * 208)	99,840	0	² 143,654
Hermetic	160	(6 * 208)	199,680	1	199,680
Plastic	80	(6 * 208)	99,840	0	² 143,654

1. The part totals were calculated by multiplying sum of the part totals from Active Parts Table by 4
2. The MTBF for the commercial parts was calculated based on the χ^2 distribution.
3. The total hours is the number of iteration times the number of hours per temperature/ vibration iteration.

DELAMINATION OF PEMs ON BOARDS ASSEMBLED USING MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL PROCESSES



**MILITARY BOARD LEVEL ASSEMBLY
SHOWS MORE DELAMINATION (RED)
THAN COMMERCIAL ASSEMBLY, AS
SHOWN BY C-SAM IMAGES. CAUSE
TRACED TO ADDITIONAL
ENVIRONMENTAL TEST ON MILITARY
ASSEMBLY. ALL OTHER ASSEMBLY
PROCESSES THE SAME.**



BCIC&P, PEMs and JTIDS

- **BCIC&P test data identified additional areas of concern for using PEMs on JTIDS**
- **BCIC&P component failure analysis identified a 20-25% increase in delamination in PEMs assembled on the military line versus commercial line**
- **As a result, it became evident that an overall policy for implementing PEMs on JTIDS was necessary. Contractors Best Commercial Practices would be leveraged as much as possible. Policy must address the following areas:**
 - **Manufacturing Parts Control Program**
 - **Handling & Storage of PEM devices**
 - **Assembly of PEMs on to next higher level assemblies**

ROME LABORATORY FINDINGS ON USE OF PEMs



- **Quality of vendors is variable**
 - Physical analysis should be performed when evaluating vendors
- **Detection of delamination in PEMs requires Acoustic Microscopy and dye penetrant tests**
- **Preconditioning (simulates the board soldering process) must be performed before any reliability tests**
 - Ensure consistency with assembly/assembled parts, in regards to:
 - » Flux
 - » Soldering profile
 - » Cleaning process
 - Impacts reliability test results
- **Board level assembly procedures must be re-evaluated when transitioning from hermetic packaging to PEMs**

PERCENT DELAMINATION FOR SIX MANUFACTURERS' PRODUCT (AS RECEIVED)



SAMPLE A40



5.7% DELAMINATION

SAMPLE B48



5.7% DELAMINATION

SAMPLE C97



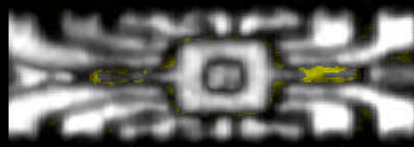
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SAMPLE D33



5.7% DELAMINATION

SAMPLE E79



3.6% DELAMINATION

SAMPLE F69

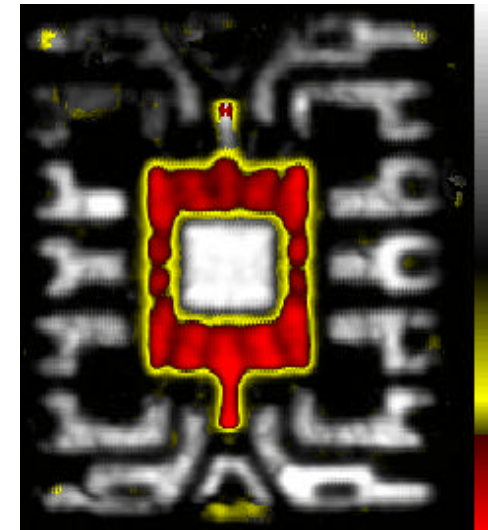
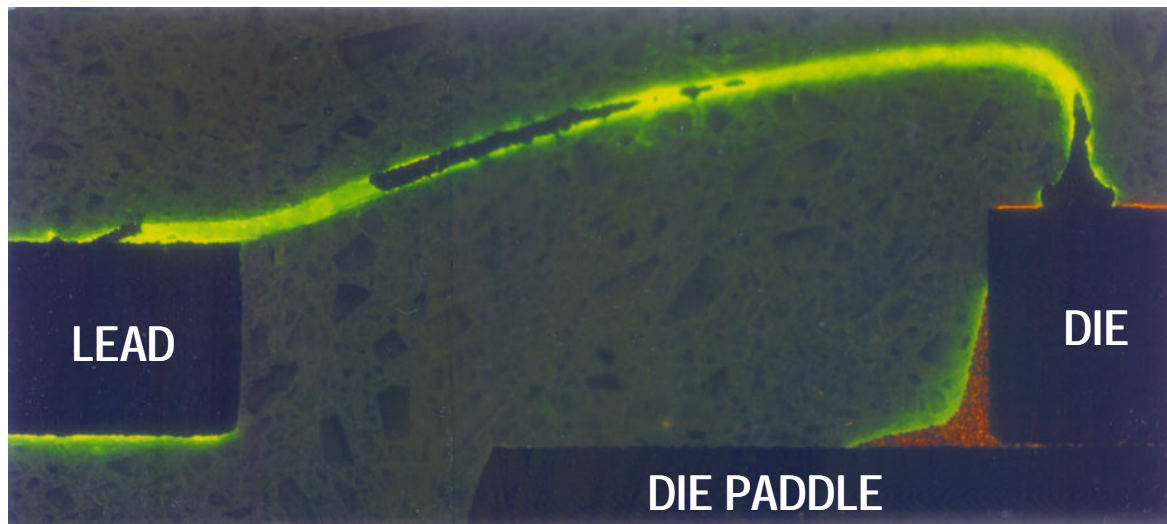


2.7% DELAMINATION

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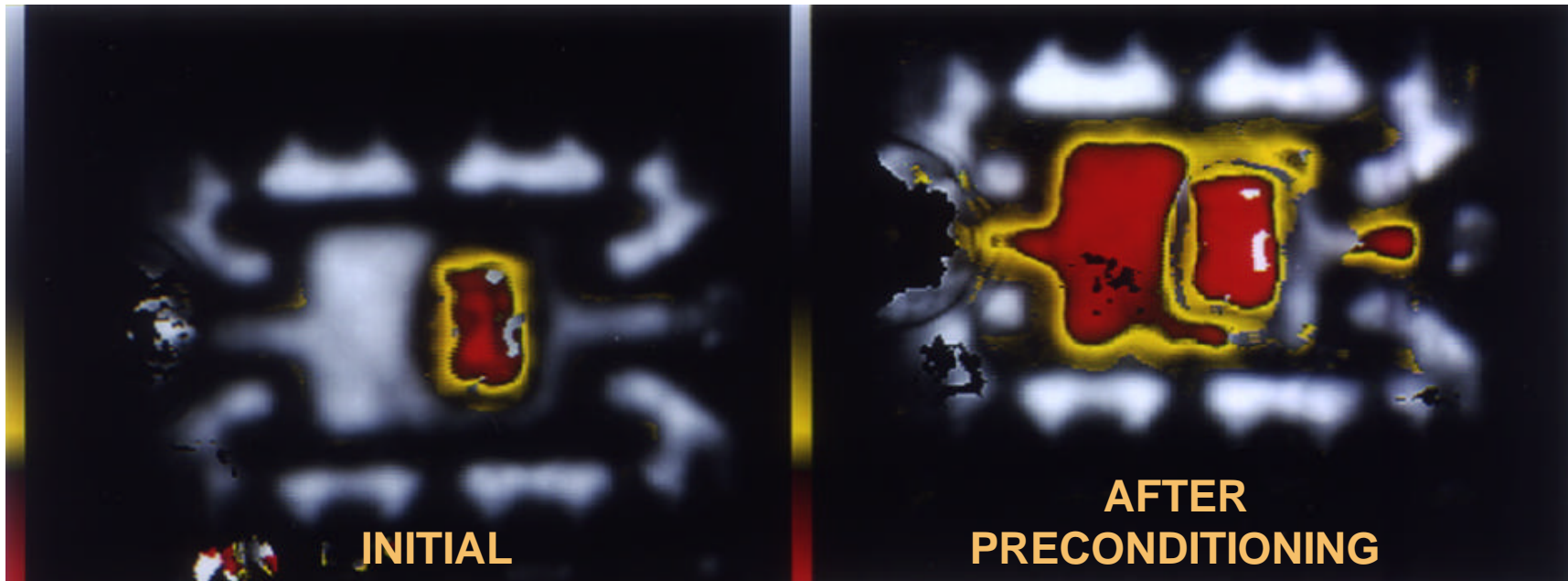


PATHWAYS FOR CONTAMINATION DETECTABLE BY DYE PENETRANT TEST



**DYE PENETRANT FLUORESCING ALONG POTENTIAL CONTAMINATION
PATHWAYS IN A PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED MICROCIRCUIT AFTER
PRE-CONDITIONING.**

EFFECTS OF PRECONDITIONING ON PEMs



PRECONDITIONING (SIMULATED SOLDERING) SHOWS DELAMINATION (RED) CHANGES, AS SHOWN BY SCANNING ACOUSTIC MICROSCOPY IMAGES.

PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED MICROCIRCUIT LONG TERM STORAGE PROGRAM



Accomplishment:

- 5 yr joint RL/Army MICOM program
- 300 Parts/5 comm suppliers (gates)
- 4 diverse storage environments measured (benign, tropical, desert, arctic)

Problem:

- Commercial Plastic Encapsulated Microcircuits (PEMs) targeted for military applications (e.g. missiles) lack reliability data for long term storage applications

Payoff:

- Low Risk /Cost Effective Approach for use of Commercial Products in Harsh Dormant Storage Conditions
- Define Maintenance Concepts, Storage Requirements, Design Considerations

LONG TERM STORAGE CLIMATIC DATA AND RESULTS



Storage Location	Temperature *		Relative Humidity (%) *		Failures/Total Tested	Predicted Life **
	Max (°C)	Min (°C)	Maximum	Minimum		
Redstone (Benign)	45	-12	52	<5	0 / 250	19.45 YRS
Yuma (Desert)	51	0	69	13	1 / 250	4.53 YRS
Eglin (Tropical)	36	-6	46	<5	1 / 250	73.0 YRS
Rome (Arctic)	32	-19	43	<5	1 / 250	139.0 YRS
Jeb Stewart (Ship)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

* **Temperature and relative humidity inside container with desiccant**

** **Based on Industry Standard Acceleration Reliability Model, No failures after 1000 hours of 85C/85%RH, Ea = 0.9eV, Worst Case Environmental Conditions**

GUIDE TO MILITARY USE OF COMMERCIAL PARTS



- **Published December 1996**
- **Provides information for both military program offices and manufacturers on Best Commercial Practices**
- **Defines an effective parts management program**
- **Discusses device reliability & quality test methods and their significance**
- **Provides reliability case studies**

RAC Data Sharing Consortium (DSC)



- **Compiles data on parts and systems for reliability assessments**
- **Types of data being collected include screening, qualification, failure analysis and field performance of components and systems**
- **Data repository accessible to members (<http://rome.iitri.com/consortium>)**
- **Provide data used to benchmark Best Commercial Practices**
- **Government membership at no cost.**



DSC - Current Membership

Company	Membership Status	Company	Membership Status	Company	Membership Status
Aerospatial	Distribution	ELDEC	Steering Committee	Lockheed Martin Control Systems	Distribution
Allied Signal	Steering Committee	GEC - Marconi	Distribution	Lockheed Martin Electronics & Missiles	Distribution
AMD	Distribution	Honeywell MAVD	Distribution	Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space	Distribution
Ametek Aerospace	Distribution	Honeywell ATS	Steering Committee	Los Angeles AFB	Distribution
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Ball Aerospace	Paying	Hughes Avicom International	Distribution	Motorola	Distribution
BF Goodrich Aerospace	Distribution	Hughes Space & Communications	Distribution	Page Aerospace	Distribution
BFG Rosemount	Distribution	Intertechnique	Distribution	Philips	Distribution
Boeing	Steering Committee	Koito Mfg Company	Distribution	Raytheon	Distribution
Boeing - CAS	Pending	Korry Electronics	Pending	Rockwell International	Distribution
Continental Viking Laboratories	Distribution	Litton APD	Distribution	Smiths Industries	Pending
Delco Electronics	Distribution	Lockheed Martin	Pending	Sundstrand	Steering Committee
E-Systems	Distribution	Lockheed Martin Astronautics	Distribution	UTC Hamilton Standard	Distribution



DMS EFFORTS

- **JTIDS Program**
 - Risk Assessment of DMS Parts
 - Redesign Maintaining Board Level Form, Fit, Function
- **AWACS Program**
 - Assessing Use of VHDL for Board Redesign using FPGAs
- **F-16 Program**
 - Working With Lockheed-Martin on a Demonstration of using VHDL for Board Level Redesign
 - » VHDL Design Environment for Legacy Electronics (VDELE)
 - » Rome Lab Tools Used to Capture Design from Test Program Sets (TPS)
 - » Rome Lab Design Verification Approach Based on Fault Grading



DMS AND COTS

- **COTS Doesn't Solve the DMS Problem**
 - COTS have 3-5 year Life Cycle (and Getting Shorter)
 - If Design Cycle > 5 years, DMS before Production
- **Recommendation**
 - Use VHDL to Document Design Whether or Not COTS is used in the System
 - » System Configuration is Preserved
 - » TECHNOLOGY TRANSPARENT



CONCLUSIONS

- **PEMS Can Be Viable For DoD Systems**
 - **Need to Be Aware of:**
 - » **Manufacturer's Parts Control Program**
 - » **How PEMS are Handled & Stored**
 - » **Procedures used to Assemble PEMS on Next Level Assembly**
- **DMS Solutions**
 - **VHDL is being used on Several Air Force Programs**
 - **COTS Not Necessarily the Answer**
 - **Need to Become TECHNOLOGY TRANSPARENT**